

REMARKS

Abstract Objection

Applicant has submitted a new abstract herewith to obviate the cited objection to the length of the abstract.

Specification Objection

Applicant has herein corrected the cited objection to the specification.

35 U.S.C. Section 102 Rejections

Paragraph 4 of the above referenced Office Action states that independent Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 102 as allegedly being anticipated by Takahashi et al. (U.S. 5,583,543). Applicants respectfully traverse.

Embodiments of the present invention recite a method and system for implementing a touch screen user interface for a computer system. Claim 1 recites limitations describing a first touchscreen area provided for accepting text input strokes and a second touchscreen area provided for displaying recognized text from the text input strokes. The text input strokes are displayed in the first touchscreen area, are recognized, and the resulting recognized text displayed in the second touchscreen area. A portion of the recognized text is displayed in the first touchscreen area, wherein the portion of the recognized text is shown as the text input strokes are recognized (emphasis added).

Applicant asserts that Takahashi does not show limitations of the present invention as recited in Claim 1, specifically, wherein a portion of the recognized text is displayed in the first touchscreen area, and wherein the portion of the recognized text is shown as the text input strokes are recognized. The cited section of Takahashi, i.e., Figures 3(a), 3(b), and 3(c) shows two areas of a touch screen 21 and 24. Applicant understands Takahashi to show text input strokes are accepted in the touchscreen area 24 and recognized text is displayed in area 21. No portion of the recognized text is shown in the area 24. Thus, no portion of the recognized text is displayed in the first touch screen area (e.g., the same area that accepts the text input strokes). The first touchscreen area of Takahashi is purely for accepting text input strokes and displaying those text input strokes to the user. This is different than the claimed invention.

Accordingly, Applicant asserts that Claim 1 of the present invention is not anticipated by Takahashi with the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 102.

35 U.S.C. Section 103 Rejections

Paragraph 12 of the above referenced Office Action rejects independent Claims 11 and 21 as being obvious over Takahashi in view of Berman (U.S. 5,760,773) and Lui (U.S. 6,256,009). Applicant respectfully traverses.

Takahashi is relied upon to show text input strokes displayed in the first touchscreen area, are recognized, and the resulting recognized text displayed in the second touchscreen area, and portion of the recognized text is displayed in

the first touchscreen area, wherein the portion of the recognized text is shown as the text input strokes are recognized.

For the same rationale as in the discussion of Claim 1, Applicant points out that Takahashi does not show a portion of the recognized text is displayed in the first touchscreen area, wherein the portion of the recognized text is shown as the text input strokes are recognized. The addition of the Berman and Lui references does not cure this deficiency. Berman is relied upon for allegedly showing scrolling text. Lui is relied upon for allegedly showing text character replacement editing.

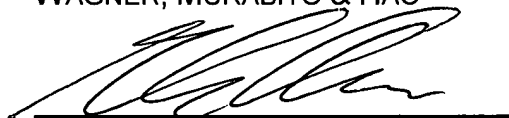
Accordingly, Applicant asserts that independent Claims 1 and 20 of the present invention cannot be rendered obvious within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 103 by the combination of Takahashi, Berman, and Lui within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 103(a).

CONCLUSION

All remaining claims of the present application are now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application. Please charge any additional fees or apply any credits to our PTO deposit account number: 23-0085.

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